GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

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CORRUPTION IN COURTS
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Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the corrupt practice prevailing in various courts in Delhi as reported in Dainik Jagaran dated August 11, 2002;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;and

(c) the action proposed to be taken to check the situation prevailing in the courts?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD):

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The control over District courts and courts subordinate thereto in NCT ofDelhi is exercised by the Delhi High Court. Any complaint against the judicial officers or the staff of the subordinate courts in Delhi, received by the Central Government, is forwarded to the Delhi High Court for appropriate action.The Chief Justice every year nominates a group ofJudicial Officers under the direct supervision and control for the purpose of inspection and vigilance matters.The Anti Corruption Branch takes steps to prevent corruption, such as, conducting raids on specific complaints, creating awareness in the general public by issuing advertisements in the press and ensuring that the departments put up boards indicating names and phone numbers of officers of the Anti Corruption Branch where the cases of corruption can be reported.